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SUBJECT: RHODESIA: SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING

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1. SECURITY COUNCIL WILL BE HOLDING INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

ON RHODESIA MORNING OF MARCH 6, FOLLOWED BY A POSSIBLE FORMAL MEETING SAME AFTERNOON. IN DISCUSSING RHODESIA WITH HOST GOVERNMENTS, POSTS SHOULD NO LONGER ARGUE FOR DEFERRAL OF SC MEETING BUT EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT SC DEBATE CAN RESULT IN PROGRESS TOWARDS AGREEMENT AMONG ALL THE NATIONALIST PARTIES ON A FRAMEWORK FOR A SETTLEMENT CLOSER TO THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PLAN. WE WANT TO AVOID RESOLUTIONS AND A DEBATE IN THE COUNCIL WHICH WOULD ONLY RESULT IN THE HARDENING OF THE POSITIONS OF ALL CONCERNED.

2. IF ASKED ABOUT OUR POSITION ON HAVING MUZOREWA OR SITHOLE ADDRESS THE COUNCIL, YOU SHOULD POINT OUT THAT WE BELIEVE THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL THE NATIONALIST PARTIES SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO SPEAK IF THEY COME TO NEW YORK AND WISH TO DO SO. A PROCEDURAL DEBATE IN AN EFFORT TO EXCLUDE MUZOREWA AND SITHOLE FROM THE COUNCIL COULD TURN OUT TO BE A VICTORY FOR SMITH INSTEAD OF A DEFEAT FOR

THE INTERNAL SETTLEMENT.

3. IN DISCUSSING A POSSIBLE CONFERENCE OF THE NATIONALIST PARTIES, POSTS SHOULD URGE THAT CALL FOR A CONFERENCE BE PHRASED IN TERMS BROAD ENOUGH TO PERMIT ATTENDANCE BY ALL THE PARTIES. AS INDICATED REF C, UK BELIEVES TOO SPECIFIC A LINKAGE BETWEEN A-AP AND CONFERENCE WOULD HAVE EFFECT OF EXCLUDING MUZOREWA/SITHOLE.
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